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- 1. Tirralirra has on a number of occasions requested us to refrain from furnishing any of the information obtained from him to the VLIK Group in Germany. He has particularly referred to the ARUNAS travel and his latest request concerned the loss of NERIS incident to the last mission. We have not as yet indicated to him that we are aware of his line to Germany. He has specifically stipulated that Col. SOVA is also included among the persons who should not be informed. He predicates his request concerning NERIS upon the fact that "our people in Germany know nothing about this operation . . . NERIS mother is in Lithuania and we must be very careful, and there are other reasons, of course."
- 2. He also commented on the fact that the departure of SKRAJUNAS and Petrus VILUTIS from Paris to Germany is very well known. He said he had received news about this from some of his friends in England who "are not living in London".
- 3. We will leave to the discretion of the Munich station how much, if any, of the information obtained from Tirralirra should be furnished to their operational personnel. We realize that the Munich operation is of primary importance, but we do request that every effort be made to prevent any word getting back to Tirralirra which would indicate that we have violated his confidence. We believe this is particularly true pending a clarification of the present situation, in Lithuania, if such clarification will ever be obtained.

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